

## Trichoptera data from France

Faunistic knowledge of Trichoptera in France is at a very low level. In contrast to many other European countries where detailed faunistic surveys from recent last years are available, there are very few workers on faunistics of Trichoptera in the country, and for drawing distribution maps of Europe, one has to refer mainly to the work by Berland & Moseley from 1936-37 which is long out of date.

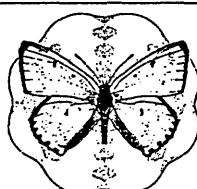
Many workers from abroad are occasional or regular collectors in France, and their data could be made available for others. I have stored my own data from France in our databank ZOBODAT (see below) which is one of the largest biogeographical databanks in existence (with about 3 million data, mainly from Austria and adjacent countries, but overall from the entire world), and I want to invite colleagues from other countries to contribute in the same way. The data from France are, for this unusual case, free for everyone's use (in contrast to the other data for which there are conditions). On the other hand, we are very interested in obtaining more data from any countries. This is only an offer and does not interfere with any databanks in France which may be organised in different ways.

For questions on the caddisflies please write to me: Hans Malicky, Sonnengasse 13, A - 3293 Lunz am See, Austria (snailmail only), Tel. +43 7486 8410; but for questions on the databank ask my son Michael Malicky (see below).

The data on French Trichoptera are accessible via internet at: [www.biologiezentrum.at](http://www.biologiezentrum.at) Then you have to select ZOBODAT and Log in („Anmelden“). When prompted for a user name and password do not enter anything, simply log in (press the button „Anmelden“). Please read the manual carefully. You may select data per species („Anzahl Daten pro Art“) or per site („Anzahl Daten pro Fundort“). – (The other parts of the menu do only work for data on Austria, e.g. nature conservation, bibliography, biography). If you want the French data, click on “Anzahl Daten pro Art” and give the name of the species, and click on “Frankreich” (France): you get a line with the name of the species and the number of available data. Click on this (blue) number, so you get the list. If you click on “Karte”, and then on “Frankreich” and “Karte generieren”, you get the map with the localities. Data from other countries are available in the same way, but for the list and the map you need a permission.

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